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**PRESIDENT OBIANG OF EQUATORIAL GUINEA MEETS WITH ARCHBISHOP DESMOND TUTU DURING 2010 GLOBAL FORUM**

MALABO (June 29, 2010) – Equatorial Guinea (República de Guinea Ecuatorial) President Teodoro Obiang Nguema Mbasogo met with religious figure and Nobelist, Archbishop Desmond Tutu on a recent visit to Cape Town, South Africa for the 2010 Global Forum sponsored by TIME/Fortune/CNN. The private meeting between President Obiang and Archbishop Desmond Tutu lasted about half an hour.

The two met before President Obiang's historic speech in South Africa that outlined a five-point reform and transparency program for Equatorial Guinea. Numerous world leaders, including former U.S. President Bill Clinton, and hundreds of international businesses leaders and investors assembled in Cape Town for the three-day event.

During the meeting, President Obiang and Archbishop Desmond Tutu discussed various issues, including African current affairs. Most importantly, it was an opportunity for the two to meet each other personally and discuss the possibility of future meetings and collaboration.

Archbishop Desmond Tutu is world famous for his fight against apartheid, and for being the first South African that was ordained as an Anglican Archbishop of Cape Town. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984.

***About Equatorial Guinea***

The Republic of Equatorial Guinea (República de Guinea Ecuatorial) is the only Spanish-speaking country in Africa, and one of the smallest nations on the continent. In the late-1990s, American companies helped discover the country's oil and natural gas resources, which only within the last five years began contributing to the global energy supply. Equatorial Guinea is now working to serve as a pillar of stability and security in its region of West Central Africa. The country will host the 2011 Summit of the African Union. For more information, visit <http://www.guineaccuatorialpress.com>.

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